

EXODUS 7:1-7

Remember to Prepare

I. Remember God's _____ for you as His ambassador.

And the Lord said to Moses, "See, I have made you like God to Pharaoh, and your brother Aaron shall be your prophet. You shall speak all that I command you, and your brother Aaron shall tell Pharaoh to let the people of Israel go out of his land." vv. 1-2

II. Remember God's _____ in ways you can't always see.

"But I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and though I multiply my signs and wonders in the land of Egypt, Pharaoh will not listen to you. Then I will lay my hand on Egypt and bring my hosts, my people the children of Israel, out of the land of Egypt by great acts of judgment." vv. 3-4

III. Remember God's _____ will ultimately prevail.

"The Egyptians shall know that I am the Lord, when I stretch out my hand against Egypt and bring out the people of Israel from among them." Moses and Aaron did so; they did just as the Lord commanded them. Now Moses was eighty years old, and Aaron eighty-three years old, when they spoke to Pharaoh. vv. 5-7

REMEMBER TO PREPARE BY PREPARING TO REMEMBER.

The horse is made ready for the day of battle, but the victory belongs to the Lord.

PROVERBS 21:31

Remember your _____ .

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GOD'S STRENGTH IS
STRONGER

HOME GROUP STUDY & DEVOTIONAL

Before you begin, ask the Holy Spirit to teach you and guide your study.

1. Read Exodus 7:1-7. What does God reveal to Moses about the process by which He will liberate Israel?
2. How are Moses and Aaron "like God" to Pharaoh?
3. How did the pastor explain the concept of God hardening Pharaoh's heart and Pharaoh hardening his own heart? What light does Paul shed on this concept in Romans 9:14-23?
4. A friend asks: *If God desires all people to be saved, why does He harden the hearts of some? What is your reply? What would you tell them if they worry that their own heart is too hard?*
5. How much do you relate to Moses' objections that he wasn't up to the task God had given him? How do the Scriptures below help you remember that it's not about your ability but about God's power?

Ephesians 3:20	Psalm 46:10
Philippians 1:6	2 Corinthians 4:7-18
6. Read Psalm 46:10. In what ways do we also forget to give God the glory and credit when He does things we could never do ourselves?
7. Once we find salvation in Jesus, what has God called us to do? Start with these Scripture passages, then you can be more specific about any assignments God has brought your way.

Matthew 6:33	2 Corinthians 5:11-21
Matthew 28:19-20	Luke 6:37
Hebrews 10:25	Philippians 2:14
2 Timothy 3:16-17	1 Thessalonians 5:17
8. What kinds of preparations should you be making so you are ready to step up and fulfill the role and the assignments God has for you? How did the sermon help you recognize your next step?

A WONDERFUL OFFER

Being a Christian isn't based on membership in a local church or keeping a set of rules. It involves a personal relationship with Jesus Christ and an understanding of who He is and what He has done to provide man with a way to experience God's love for us. Here's how to know Jesus Christ as your personal Savior:

1. Realize that you are sinful and separated from God. (Romans 3:23; Isaiah 53:6)
 2. Recognize that the penalty for your sin is death—eternal separation from God and all that is good. (Romans 6:23; Hebrews 9:27)
 3. Understand that Jesus Christ took the penalty for your sin by dying in your place and that He rose again. (Romans 5:8; 2 Corinthians 5:21)
 4. Receive the free gift of salvation by trusting in Christ alone as your Savior. (Romans 4:4-5; Ephesians 2:8-9)
- "For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish, but have eternal life." (John 3:16 NASB) You can use this prayer to express your decision to God:
- "Dear God, I know that I am a sinner. I believe that Jesus Christ died on the cross for me and rose from the dead. I trust in Him alone as the only way to get right with You. Thank You for the forgiveness of sins and the eternal life I now have. Amen."*

Some people have hardened hearts, and we must trust in the Lord to break through those barriers.

GLEN MARTIN

Strange things happen in the human heart and mind when we let the evil urges of our broken nature go unchecked. God will always graciously offer us chances to turn back (would you have given Pharaoh so many chances?!). But sometimes a person can cement themselves in a destructive path and reach a point of no return. God can and sometimes will allow our evil to destroy us. But the good news is, if that last sentence kind of freaks you out, you're not Pharaoh! The fact that you're asking the sobering question means that your heart is soft and wants to do the right thing.

TIM MACKIE

In Egyptian royal ideology, the pharaoh was considered to be a divine being. So by calling Moses God, Yahweh is beating Pharaoh at his own game. It is not the king of Egypt who is god; rather, it is this shepherd and leader of slaves who is God.

PETER ENNS

From beginning to end, Pharaoh's heart remained encased in a cement shell of indifference. Yes, under pressure from his own court, he ended up saying, "Let the people go." But his heart remained case-hardened right up to the end. He maintained a mindset of stubbornness. For all of time and eternity, he will be an example of what it means to resist and reject the goodness of God. Hence the Lord's decision: "Let the plagues begin!"

CHARLES SWINDOLL

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